Baden-Powell & St Peter's CE Junior School

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Dear Parents

Swimming Lessons – Y4

As part of the National Curriculum (Key Stage 2) for PE, Year 4 children are offered group swimming lessons. We have secured the use of the indoor swimming pool at Poole Dolphin Centre, Kingland Road, Poole, BH15 1TN and our swimming lessons will be on Tuesday afternoons with the children being transported there and back in the school minibuses.

In the Spring term 4PL and 4BU will be the classes to go. The first lesson will be on 12 January and will be every Tuesday for 10 weeks, finishing on 23 March. (Excludes Half Term.)

It is necessary for us to request a voluntary contribution from each child in order to support this event. In order for children to take part in the 10 sessions, the total cost for each child will be £34.00 (£3.40 per session for 10 weeks). This is inclusive of hire of the pool/swimming instructors and transport there and back.

The school's Remissions Policy invites families to contribute an amount that they feel is affordable, certainly no child would be excluded. Swimming is an essential element of the National Curriculum and will go ahead for the whole Year Four cohort even if we do not raise the total amount from parental contributions. The school would be very grateful if you are able to contribute towards this.

Payment should be made via your child's Arbor account. This can be found under the Trips section.

The timings are as follows

4PL	Leave school at 1.00pm Arrive at pool 1.15pm Swim 1.30pm Leave from pool 2.15pm Arrive back at school 2.30pm	**4BU**	Leave school at 1.30pm Arrive at pool 1.45pm Swim at 2.00pm Leave from pool 2.45pm Arrive back at school 3.00pm

We really need at least 2 parent helpers to help the class teacher supervise these sessions. If you are able to help **please contact the school office as soon as possible,** as we will need to start your DBS ASAP in order to get it back ready for the new term. Unfortunately, we will not be able to transport parent helpers to and from the pool due to number limitations in the minibuses so would ask you to meet us there.

In the pool, the children will be under the instruction of a qualified instructor and school staff. The











children will be assessed on their swimming ability and will be able to learn basic life-saving skills and water safety in accordance with National Curriculum requirements.

All children will need:

- **A one-piece swimsuit or trunks (above knee length)**
- **A swimming hat (preferably red but any colour is acceptable)**
- **A towel**
- **A plastic bag or waterproof bag to put wet swimsuit in**
  (All equipment and clothing, including underwear must be named)
- ***Googles if required***

Please also note:

- **Long hair should be tied back**
- **Swimsuits should fit properly**
- **All asthma inhalers should be taken to lessons**
- **No jewellery may be worn**

Any children with a verruca, or any other medical condition, will need to take appropriate action eg verruca sock or plaster.

If you have any questions concerning any of the above please contact me via the school office.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards

J Paterson

Mr J Paterson (PE Leader)